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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re the Application of:

Francesco A. Crupi

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Sir:

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- Amendment; 1.
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Respectfully Submitted,

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AMENDMENT

To: The Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Box Non-Fee Amendments Washington, DC 20231

U.S.A.

Date: November 9, 2001

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in response to the Examiner's action dated August 9, 2001 in the above case.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please rewrite Claim 1 as follows:

1. (amended) A raking device for breaking up a surface, said raking device comprising:

a plurality of rakes mounted on a rake frame and arranged to produce an upwardly directed resultant force in response to a horizontally directed force arising from encountering an obstruction in a path of travel of said raking device;

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